

# Methacton Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2018

I. **Attendance:** Amy Smith, Rachael Packer, Caryn Maro, Tracy Courtney, Suzy Dowell, Megan Fitzgerald, Sandy Katz, Ashley Wilkerson, Michelle Kirschner, Kathleen Bacon, Gabby Winters, Nicole Rittenhouse, Nikki Krelovich

II. **Approval of February Minutes** – Approved

III. **Officer Reports**

A. **President's Report**

1. Elections – Gabby Winters is nomination chair. MCC nominations are due by April 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Action:** Kathleen will update nomination form for MCC

2. Ashley met with Angela Lynch regarding communications. Angela is thrilled with Konstella and pushing things out. Discussion around eliminating e-alerts moving forward, there were no concerns.

**Action:** Ashley will follow up with Angela to let her know there are no concerns with eliminating e-alerts.

3. Discussion around the process to get communications out to everyone at schools. Corresponding secretary should be the contact for communications to be distributed at each school.

4. The district is looking for a way to pass out/push out information to parents in the district. Discussion to give Angela Lynch access to Konstella under MCC. Concerns about difficulty accessing Konstella under the MCC were brought up.

5. Discussion to increase awareness around Post Prom to elementary schools, Skyview, and Arcola. Ideas suggested for the future: video on social media showing the decorated rooms/hall, have an information table at Back to School night, add Post Prom info in the Back to School presentation, and/or consider having an advocate at each school to share information.

B. **Vice President's Report**– No updates

C. **Treasurer's Report** – SEA has \$1,230 to date.

D. **Corresponding Secretary Report** – No update

E. **Recording Secretary Report** – No update

IV. **Committee Reports** –

A. **Special Education Alliance (Sandy Katz)** –

- Planning committee met and set goal to raise awareness. There will be a SEA table on Back to School night and SEA will have information at future kindergarten orientations. SEA will develop a calendar (but needs budget to bring speakers in), plans to increase social networking amongst parents (recently held a mixer, 12 people attended), and will host effortless fundraisers (Spirit Week April 9).
- On March 26, a speaker will present on “Calming the Chaos”. Anyone is welcome to attend.
- The updated SEA mission and schedule is available. Additional information is available on the Methacton Special Education Alliance Facebook page.
- SEA would like to have representatives at each school.
- SEA is not continuing with providing scholarships, due to budget constraints.

B. **Bylaws Review (Megan Fitzgerald)** – no update

C. **Volunteer Development** – not in attendance

V. **Old Business** – no update

VI. **New Business** –

1. **We Run out Hunger:** Caryn Maro and Tracey Courtney spoke about support needed for the Back Pack Program. Requested each school to host/share

information out about Dine and Donate proceeds to go to Back Pack Program.

**Action:**

- a. Caryn/Tracey will e-mail the fundraiser information to Kathleen who will send out Konstella announcement to the schools.
- b. Caryn/Tracey are encouraged to work directly with individual schools (Home & School Corresponding Secretaries) for additional information/needs.
- c. Caryn/Tracey will talk with building principles for approval to host an assembly.

2. **Methacton Education Foundation: Nikki Krelovich, Executive Director –**

Provided an overview of the Methacton Education Foundation. The committee is focusing on STEM, disadvantaged students, and career and college readiness. A goal this year is to raise awareness about funds that are available for grants.

**Action:** Nicole will reach out to each H&S to find out who big donors are so the Education Foundation does reach out to the same sponsors.

3. **Elementary Home & School:** Discussion about sending out a survey to parents to get feedback around Home & School events.

**VII. Adjournment-** next meeting April 9<sup>th</sup>

- April 9th: Monthly MCC Meeting
- April 15th: 3rd Quarter financial filing due
- May 14th: Monthly MCC Meeting
- June 5th: Monthly MCC Meeting
- June 15th: 4th Quarter financial filing due